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1. Diogenes de la Rosa, suspected Panamanian Communist and professor at the University of Panama, has been invited to be a special adviser to the Salvadoran Ministry of Labor. He was in El Salvador recently to be present at the inauguration of the Faculty of Humanities of the National University of El Salvador at the invitation of Dr. Carlos Llerena, Rector of the University. Although he was to be Dr. Llerena's guest only from 7-9 March, de la Rosa remained in San Salvador after the latter date ostensibly to deliver a series of lectures.
2. De la Rosa revealed in San Salvador that he hoped to accept the appointment with the Labor Ministry. He also advised the Salvadoran light and power workers on the renewal of their demands which have been pending for three years. He likewise reviewed a draft for temporary labor legislation at the request of Romero Albergue, Salvadoran Subsecretary of Labor. Albergue had previously requested the Comité de Reorganización Obrera (CRO), a Communist 25X1X6 organization, to draft proposals for this legislation.\*
3. [REDACTED] de la Rosa stated that he is awaiting a personal letter from former Venezuelan President Romulo Betancourt regarding a matter which the former might have to take up personally with President Arevalo of Guatemala.
4. Raul Merino Zaragoza, suspected Communist of San Vicente, Salvador, invited de la Rosa to lecture at the Sociedad Ideal de Obreros. De la Rosa went to San Vicente on 18 March and was accompanied by Daniel Gemero, Napoleon Villacorta, and Marco Antonio Monge, known Communists and members of CRO.
5. Carlos Castillo Ibarra, Nicaraguan revolutionary often suspected of being a Communist himself, warned local revolutionaries to beware of de la Rosa, whom Castillo Ibarra described as a dangerous Communist.

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